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SUBJECT: CONSULTATION ON AREAS OUTSIDE TREATY

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(B) USNATO 4298

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1. RECENTLY-ARRIVED UK POLCOUNS/MARGETSON TOLD MISOFFS SEPTEMBER 17 HE WAS INTERESTED IN U.S. SUGGESTION MADE IN POLADS THIS SUMMER (REFTELS) THAT POLADS WORK MORE CLOSELY WITH REGIONAL EXPERTS WITH A VIEW TO EXPANDING ALLIANCE CONSULTATION ON EVENTS IN AREAS OUTSIDE THE TREATY'S COVERAGE. MISOFFS CONFIRMED THAT USNATO WISHES TO PURSUE THE MATTER.

2. MARGETSON SAID UK MISSION SEEKING WAYS TO GIVE POLADS' DISCUSSIONS MORE SUBSTANCE AND HE EXPRESSED DESIRE TO ASSIST IN U.S. EFFORT. HE SAID THAT PRESENT FOREIGN OFFICE VIEW IS THAT POLADS, WITH NAC BLESSING, COULD DEVELOP A LIST OF SUBJECTS WHICH THE ALLIES MIGHT KEEP UNDER SURVEILLANCE IN ORDER TO MEET POSSIBLE CONTINGENCY REQUIREMENTS. ALLIANCE MEMBERS WOULD CONFIDENTIAL

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UNDERTAKE TO KEEP CURRENT ON THESE SUBJECTS SO THAT THEY COULD BE DISCUSSED ON AN URGENT BASIS IN THE ALLIANCE SHOULD THE NEED ARISE. MARGETSON INDICATED HE WAS NOT ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT SUCH AN APPROACH SINCE IT DID NOT

INVOLVE POLADS NOW IN SUBSTANTIVE CONSULTATION ON AREAS OF INTEREST TO THE ALLIANCE BUT ONLY ON PREPARATION OF LISTS OF POSSIBLE CONTINGENCIES. HE SOUGHT MISOFFS' SUGGESTIONS ON SPECIFIC TOPICS WHICH MIGHT BE DISCUSSED. MISOFFS AND MARGETSON AGREED INFORMALLY, AFTER BRIEF DISCUSSION, THAT A REVIEW OF SITUATION IN COMMUNIST BALKAN COUNTRIES, EXCLUDING YUGOSLAVIA, MIGHT BE SUBJECT OF INTEREST TO ALLIANCE MEMBERS AND COULD BE A FOCUS OF DISCUSSION AT NOVEMBER 5-8 POLADS MEETING WITH SOVIET UNION/EE EXPERTS. MARGETSON FELT THAT SUCH A POLITICAL STUDY NEED NOT RAISE GREEK HACKLES AND COULD SERVE AS A REMINDER TO THEM OF REALITIES IN THE BALKANS AT THIS TIME. WE AGREED THAT MISSION WOULD SEEK WASHINGTON REACTION TO PROPOSING THIS SUBJECT AT SEPTEMBER 24 POLADS.

3. MISOFFS AND MARGETSON AGREED THAT POLADS STUDY OF SITUATION IN YUGOSLAVIA EARLIER THIS YEAR HAD BEEN USEFUL PRECEDENT, WHICH WOULD BE DRAWN ON IN SUPPORT OF NEW SUGGESTION TO STUDY BALKAN COMMUNIST COUNTRIES, EXCLUDING YUGOSLAVIA.

4. MARGETSON SAID HE WOULD SOUND OUT FRENCH, GREEK AND CANADIAN COLLEAGUES ON THEIR ATTITUDES TOWARD THIS TYPE OF POLADS ACTIVITY DURING HIS INITIAL CALLS, BUT WOULD AVOID MENTIONING POSSIBLE SPECIFIC TOPICS. HE SAID HE WAS PREPARED, IF LONDON AGREED, TO SUPPORT A U.S. PROPOSAL AT SEPTEMBER 24 POLADS FOR A POLADS STUDY ON BALKAN AREA.

5. COMMENT: MISSION BELIEVES THAT ANOTHER POSSIBLE SUBJECT WE MIGHT PROPOSE TO POLADS SEPTEMBER 24 WOULD BE THE IMPACT ON ALLIANCE OBJECTIVES OF SINO-SOVIET DIFFERENCES (REF E). END COMMENT.

6. ACTION REQUESTED. DEPARTMENT'S VIEWS ON RAISING BALKANS AND/OR SINO-SOVIET SUBJECTS AT SEPTEMBER 24 POLADS.
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